HB 2412-4 House Education Committee April 1, 1PM, Rm D

Chair Doherty and members of the committee,

I am Kathleen Taylor, State Representative for House District 41, encompassing Milwaukie, Oak Grove and parts of Southeast Portland.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak to HB 2412, the Teacher Standards and Practices omnibus bill. And thanks to Vickie Chamberlain for supporting the -4 amendment.

Some of my constituents are members of Decoding Dyslexia, a national organization focused on improving the educational experiences of students with dyslexia. In addition to assessment and continuing education for teachers, Decoding Dyslexia has identified increasing teacher preparation as a top priority. After a great hearing on SB 612 in the Senate Education Committee, it was decided that the teacher training piece of SB 612 would be better placed in HB 2412.

TSPC is in agreement. I encourage your adoption of the -4 amendment.